



Learn a New Language

*Sub-Grant Opportunities for
Summer 2010 Intensive Language Programs*

Experience a New World



National Security Language Initiative for Youth

NSLI for Youth (NSLI-Y) is part of a multi-agency U.S. Government initiative launched in January 2006 to improve Americans' ability to engage with people from around the world who speak Arabic, Chinese (Mandarin), Hindi, Korean, Persian (Farsi), Russian and Turkish. The U.S. Department of State has awarded a cooperative agreement to American Councils to manage NSLI-Y. American Councils solicits proposals from non-profit organizations (local schools, school districts, universities, and private organizations) to implement six- to eight-week overseas intensive language programs in the seven NSLI-Y languages during summer 2010. Programs are for American high school students (ages 15 to 18). The anticipated award date is January 15, 2010. Language-focused programs immerse participants in the cultural life of the host country, giving them invaluable formal and informal language practice. **For more information, contact American Councils at 1.866.790.2086. Proposal application deadline: November 16, 2009.**

Local and Partner Sub-Grant Opportunities

American Councils manages an open competition (for which organizations submit proposals) to select NSLI-Y sub-grantees to organize and implement overseas summer intensive language programs for high school students (ages 15 to 18). For Summer 2010, there are two types of sub-grantee opportunities: Local Sub-Grantees and Partner Sub-Grantees.

Local Sub-Grantees may define their own applicant pool and select their own program participants by recruiting applicants within their local geographic region in order to support and augment local language programs and institutions. Local sub-grantees must clearly identify concrete and specific ways in which a NSLI-Y sub-grant will enable them to develop or advance their participants' language learning and how it will support language programs at local institutions.

Partner Sub-Grantees will be assigned a group of participants from the national pool of students recruited and selected through the nationwide NSLI-Y Consortium application process. Partner sub-grantees supplement the NSLI-Y Consortium's efforts to meet the programming needs of a robust and extremely competitive national pool of applicants.

Local and partner sub-grantees are encouraged to make a strong connection between or among existing NSLI programs, including STARTALK, The Language Flagship, the Critical Language Scholarships, and Summer Intensive Language Institutes for Teachers in order to create greater cohesion among U.S. government-funded language programs.

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NSLI-Y Goals

- Improve the ability of Americans to engage with people from around the world who speak Arabic, Chinese (Mandarin), Hindi, Korean, Persian (Farsi), Russian, and Turkish
- Develop a cadre of Americans with advanced linguistic skills and related cultural understanding
- Develop additional language study opportunities for U.S. high school students
- Spark a lifetime interest in foreign cultures among American youth
- Create new institutional language teaching capacity overseas

Online Resources for Sub-Grantees

To access the NSLI-Y Request for Proposal (RFP) and learn how to submit a proposal, go to the following link:

http://www.americancouncils.org/news/8b/National_Security_Language_Institute_for_Youth_2010_Subgrantee_Competition/

NSLI for Youth on-line application for participants:

<http://www.nsliforyouth.org/>

NSLI for Youth Website:

<http://exchanges.state.gov/youth/programs/nsli.html>

Teleconferences

Two informational teleconferences will be held, one on October 15 at 2:00 p.m. EST and one on October 27 at 3:00 p.m. EST for organizations interested in submitting a proposal.

